

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

November 16, 2021

William H. Collier
President and Chief Executive Officer
Arbutus Biopharma Corporation
701 Veterans Circle
Warminster, Pennsylvania 18974

Re: Arbutus Biopharma Corporation Registration Statement on Form S-3 Filed November 4, 2021 File No. 333-260782

Dear Mr. Collier:

This is to advise you that we have not reviewed and will not review your registration statement.

Please refer to Rules 460 and 461 regarding requests for acceleration. We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Please contact Michael Davis at 202-551-4385 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Life Sciences

cc: Stephen M. Nicolai, Esq.